

STAFF HEARING OFFICER STAFF REPORT

REPORT DATE:

April 18, 2007

AGENDA DATE:

April 25, 2007

PROJECT ADDRESS: 10 Rincon Vista Road (MST2006-00715)

TO:

Staff Hearing Officer

FROM:

Planning Division, (805) 564-5470

Danny Kato, Zoning & Enforcement Supervisor

Roxanne Milazzo, Associate Planner

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The 6,400 square foot lot is currently developed with a single family residence and garage. The proposed project involves an entry & patio trellis structure. The discretionary application required for the project is a Modification to permit the structure to be located within the required thirty foot (30') front yard setback (SBMC §28.15.060)

Date Application Accepted: February 27, 2007 Date Action Required: May 27, 2007

Π. SITE INFORMATION AND PROJECT STATISTICS

SITE INFORMATION A.

Applicant:

Ray & Nancy Tetzlaff

Property Owner: Nancy Tetzlaff Trust

Parcel Number: 019-282-029

Lot Area:

6,393 sf

General Plan:

3 Units Per Acre

Zoning:

E-1

Existing Use:

One-Family Residence

Topography:

21% Slope

Adjacent Land Uses:

North – One-Family Residence

East – One-Family Residence

South – One-family residence

West – One-Family Residence

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B. PROJECT STATISTICS

	Existing	Proposed
Living Area	2,914 sf	No Change
Garage	1,008 sf	No Change
Accessory Space	None	No Change

III. LOT AREA COVERAGE

Lot Area: 6,393 sf

Building: 1,457 sf; 23% Hardscape: 1,582 sf; 25% Landscape: 3,354 sf; 52%

IV. DISCUSSION

This project was reviewed by the Architectural Board of Review (ABR) on January 29, 2007 and was forwarded to the Staff Hearing Officer with the comment that the proposed modification secures an aesthetic improvement to the existing residence.

The Modification is required for the trellis structure which was built within the front yard setback, and also for a small proposed fountain in the front setback. It is Staff's position that the purpose of the setback is to restrict development within the buffer zone which is intended to provide separation between neighbors. This project, which provides architectural/design elements, does not provide floor area or amenities that will intensify the use of the existing walkway or entry area. Portions of the improvements which have been constructed within the public right-of-way will require removal or issuance of an encroachment permit by the Public Works Department. Any plan submitted in conjunction with this Modification approval shall show abatement of the right-of-way violations.

V. RECOMMENDATION/FINDING

Staff recommends that the Staff Hearing Officer approve the project, making the findings that the Modification is necessary to secure an appropriate improvement and is consistent with the purpose and intent of the Zoning Ordinance, in that the architectural trellis element does not create additional floor area or result in impacts to neighboring property owners.

Exhibits:

- A. Site Plan
- B. Applicant's letter dated February 6, 2007
- C. ABR Minutes

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Nancy Tetzlaff 10 Rincon Vista Rd. Santa Barbara, CA. 93103 805.564.8866

February 6, 2007

Staff Hearing Officer City of Santa Barbara PO Box 1990 Santa Barbara, CA. 93102-1990

Dear Staff Hearing Officer,

There is an existing house (approx. 3,000 s.f.) on the property with a garage on the lower level. The site is down sloped from the road (Rincon Vista). I am proposing to build a trellis at the front entry door in order to make the entrance more appealing. It will also offer more privacy to the side patio area.

The modification being requested is to allow the trellis to be built in the front yard setback. Since the entrance is four feet below the road it will not appear to encroach on the public right of way.

This simple addition will add to the aesthetics of the house by giving interest to the entry. I believe this will increase the value of the property and be a credit to the neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Nancy Tetzlaff



ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW CASE SUMMARY

10 RINCON VISTA RD

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1-22-07 (DBT): See PBW2007-00046 for current comments and status.

Activities:

1/29/2007

ABR-Concept Review (New) - PH

(COMMENTS ONLY; PROJECT REQUIRES ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT, NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION ORDINANCE FINDINGS AND STAFF HEARING OFFICER APPROVAL FOR A MODIFICATION.)

(6:27)

Present:

Public comment opened at 6:31 p.m.

The following individuals/representatives spoke in favor or opposition:

Chair Wienke acknowledged receipt of letters from residents Patrick McCarthy, and from Edward Kirschbaum, expressing concern with the "as built" project description.

Ruth Ann Collins, resident, opposed. Concerns with parking.

Ned Kirschbalm, resident, opposed. Concerns with parking.

Patrick McCarthy, resident, opposed to the size of the structure.

Public comment closed at 6:37 p.m.

Motion: Continued indefinitely to the Staff Hearing Officer with the project to return to the Consent

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Calendar with the following comments: 1) The proposed lighting at the street is to be replaced with a fixture which provides a downward cast glow, per city standards. Provide a cut-sheet of the proposed light fixture.

- 2) The Board appreciates the removal of the "as-built" columns and the higher wall located in the right-of-way. The current proposal is more in keeping with a more neighborly solution.
- 3) The proposed modification secures an aesthetic improvement to the existing residence, that is not detrimental to the neighborhood. 4) Modify all drawings to provide a single column trellis application.
- 5) Restoration of the driveway apron allows for pedestrian access without having to enter the street. 6) Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance Compliance findings can be made when the project returns on Consent Calendar.

Action: Sherry/Manson-Hing, 5/0/0. (Blakeley absent.)

1/29/2007

ABR-Notice Prepared-PC/SHO Req

1/23/2007

ABR-Correspondence/Contact

Leter received from Mr. Kischbaum 50 Rincon Vista Road, with photographs regarding ENF 2006-00960. Hand delivered to Kelly Brodison

1/19/2007

ABR-Resubmittal Received

Received revised/lessened scope in the ROW for the ABR meeting of January 29th.

1/10/2007

ABR-FYI/Research

\$440.00 should have been charged for ABR. \$125.00 already - amount due for ABR is \$315.00.

1/8/2007

ABR-Posting Sign Issued

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Activities:

12/8/2006

ABR-FYI/Research

See ENF CASE apparently applicant has spoken with David Thornburgh, Real Property about encroachments in public right of way.

1/8/2006

ABR-Resubmittal Received

Resubmittal of the same plans for ABR review. Project is a trellis and gate/stairway rebuilt without a permit and partially located in the ROW.

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